

WHAT WE CLAIM ARE:

1. A word composing apparatus comprising:
 - a melody display controller for visually displaying a given melody on a display connected to the word composing apparatus;
 - 5 an input cell display controller for displaying an input cell corresponding to each note of the melody on the display; and
 - an input processor for executing a process of inputting a letter or letters or a character or characters of a song word corresponding to a note or notes to the input cell.
- 10 2. A word composing apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising a continuous letter or character display controller for displaying a continuous letter or character train in a continuous display area of the display, wherein letters or characters input to the input cells are displayed in the continuous display area
- 15 as a continuous song word letter or character train.
3. A word composing apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said input processor allows a command to be input to the input cell, the command controlling a display style of a song word letter or character train in the
- 20 continuous display area.
4. A word composing apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said continuous letter or character display controller displays a symbol in the continuous display area at a position corresponding to the input cell in which a letter or character
- 25 for the song word is not input, the symbol indicating that a letter or character is not still input.

5. A word composing apparatus comprising:
- a dictionary storing at least words and parts of speech corresponding to the words;
 - 5 a search condition designator for designating at least a part of speech as a search condition;
 - a word search unit for searching a word matching the search condition designated by said search condition designator from said dictionary;
 - a search result display unit for displaying a searched word; and
 - 10 an input processor unit for executing a process of inputting a word displayed on said search result display unit as letters or characters of a song word.
6. A word composing apparatus according to claim 5, wherein said search
- 15 condition designator designates at least the number of syllables and a part of speech as the search condition.
7. A word composing apparatus according to claim 5, wherein said search
- condition designator counts a letter or character train containing predetermined
- 20 letters or characters as both one syllable and two syllables, as a method of counting the number of syllables of a word in said dictionary.
8. A word composing apparatus comprising sentence syntax storing means for storing a plurality of sentence syntax templates each defining a typical order of
- 25 a plurality of parts of speech, wherein a sentence syntax template is selected from said sentence syntax storing means to determine an order of parts of

speech.

9. A word composing apparatus comprising:

5 sentence syntax storing means for storing a plurality of sentence
syntax templates each defining a typical order of a plurality of parts of speech;
and

melody dividing means for dividing a given melody into a plurality
of melody sections,

10 wherein each section divided by said melody dividing means is
made to have a correspondence with a sentence syntax template selected from
said sentence syntax storing means to determine a part of speech of each
melody section.

10. A word composing method wherein a given melody is visually displayed,
15 an input cell is provided in correspondence with each note of the melody, and a
letter or letters or a character or characters of a song word corresponding to
each note are input to a corresponding input cell.

11. A word composing method wherein a given melody is visually displayed,
20 an input cell is provided in correspondence with each note of the melody, a
continuous display area for displaying a continuous letter or character train is
provided, and a letter or letters or a character or characters input to each input
cell are displayed in the continuous display area as a continuous letter or
character train.

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12. A word composing method wherein at least a part of speech is designated

as a search condition, and a word matching the search condition is searched from a dictionary storing at least words and parts of speech corresponding to the words, and adopted as part of a song word to be input.

5 13. A word composing method wherein a sentence syntax template is selected from a plurality of sentence syntax templates each defining a typical order of a plurality of parts of speech to determine an order of parts of speech.

14. A word composing method wherein a given melody is divided into a
10 plurality of melody sections, and each melody section is made to have a correspondence with a sentence syntax template selected from a plurality of sentence syntax templates each defining a typical order of a plurality of parts of speech, to determine a part of speech of each melody section.

15 15. A word composing program for making a computer execute:
a process of visually displaying a given melody;
a process of providing an input cell corresponding to each note of
the melody; and
a process of inputting a letter or letters or a character or
20 characters of a song word corresponding to each note to the input cell.

16. A word composing program for making a computer execute:
a process of visually displaying a given melody;
a process of providing an input cell in correspondence with each
25 note of the melody; and
a process of inputting a letter or letters or a character or

characters of a song word corresponding to each note to a corresponding input cell.

17. A word composing program for making a computer execute:

- 5 a process of visually displaying a given melody;
- a process of providing an input cell in correspondence with each note of the melody;
- a process of providing a continuous display area for displaying a continuous letter or character train; and
- 10 a process of displaying a letter or letters or a character or characters input to each input cell in the continuous display area as a continuous letter or character train.

18. A word composing program for making a computer execute:

- 15 a process of designating at least a part of speech as a search condition; and
- a process of searching a word matching the search condition from a dictionary storing at least words and parts of speech corresponding to the words, and adopting the searched word as part of a song word to be input.

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19. A word composing program for making a computer execute:

- a process of dividing a given melody into a plurality of melody sections; and
- a process of making each melody section have a correspondence
- 25 with a sentence syntax template selected from a plurality of sentence syntax templates each defining a typical order of a plurality of parts of speech, to

determine a part of speech of each melody section.